

PATENT

**REMARKS**

In the Office Action, claim 7 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 6 and 11 of copending Application Serial No. 10/648,856. In response thereto, a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR Section 1.321(c) and signed by the undersigned attorney is enclosed herewith that obviates the above provisional double patenting rejection.

In the Office Action, claims 2-5 and 8 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 2-5 and 7 of copending Application Serial No. 10/647,983. In response thereto, a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR Section 1.321(c) and signed by the undersigned attorney is enclosed herewith that obviates the above double patenting rejection.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 2-5, 7 and 8 are in condition for allowance.

**CONCLUSION**

In light of the above remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and an early notice of allowance is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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